

REMARKS

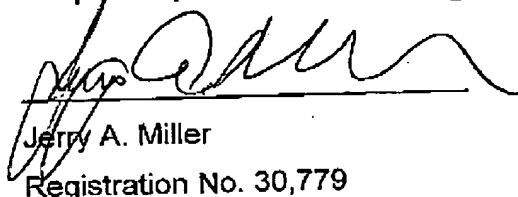
This application has been carefully reviewed in view of the above-referenced telephone interview with Examiner Lambrecht and Primary Examiner Tran. Applicants appreciate the courtesies extended by Examiner Lambrecht and Primary Examiner Tran during the interview conducted on September 21, 2005 and submit the present amendments after consultation with the Examiners. The enclosed amended claim 1 was reviewed by Examiner Lambrecht who indicated that it appears to distinguish over the art of record. Examiner Lambrecht will do additional searching.

Independent claims 1, 19 and 35 have been amended in order to enhance the clarity of these claims. Certain of the dependent claims have been amended for consistency with the amended independent claims.

Claims 7-18 and 29-34 remain unamended in this amendment, but the undersigned will be happy to address these claims further if the Examiner finds the remaining claims to have allowable subject matter. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number below regarding these claims.

In view of this communication, all claims are now believed to be in condition for allowance and such is respectfully requested at an early date. The undersigned further reiterates the request for interview presented above and earnestly solicits a dialog with the Examiner in order to bring this case to a speedy resolution.

Respectfully submitted,



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